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SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP VISIT BY OFFICERS OF PHELPS-STOKES FUND

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1. CONCUR THRUST PARA FIVE REFTEL THAT WE SHOULD MAINTAIN AS MANY OPTIONS AS POSSIBLE FOR CHANNELING OF US ASSISTANCE TO MOZAMBIQUE. THEREFORE, CONCUR IN VISIT OF DR. DILLON AND MISS WOOD TO DAR, THOUGH WE HAVE SERIOUS DOUBTS ABOUT PROPOSED TIMING. USAID WILL PROVIDE LOGISTIC SUPPORT WHILE DILLON AND WOOD ARE HERE.

2. IN BRIEFING DILLON AND WOOD IT SHOULD BE STRESSED THAT WE DO NOT RPT NOT KNOW WHETHER JANET MONDLANE WILL BE IN DAR DURING TIME OF THEIR PROPOSED VISIT. FURTHER, MONDLANE DURING VISIT OF DE HAAN STAFFDEL (MEMCON 2/22;75) WAS CAUSTICALLY CRITICAL OF US. FORMER TIES OF MONDLANE TO PHELPS-STOKES FUND, THEREFORE, MAY BE THING OF PAST. WE HAVE YET TO HEAR FROM FRELIMO CONCERNING OUR PROPOSAL TO SEND ECONOMIC STUDY TEAM TO MOZAMBIQUE. SHARFUDIN KHAN TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER APRIL 22 THAT NO DECISION ON ECONOMIC TEAM EXPECTED NOW UNTIL RETURN OF MARCELINO DOS SANTOS FROM HIS TRIP TO SCANDINAVIA IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS. IT SEEMS TO US, THEREFORE, THAT IT MIGHT BE WISE TO NOT RPT NOT PUSH FRELIMO TOO HARD ON ASSISTANCE MATTERS AT THIS TIME. ALSO, OUR IMPRESSION IS FRELIMO MAY ACCEPT AID FROM US, BUT THEY DO NOT WANT DRAWN OUT DISCUSSIONS WITH US ABOUT IT.

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THUS, WOULD COUNSEL DILLON AND WOOD TO MAKE FIRM OFFER OF

ASSISTANCE IN TRAINING TO FRELIMO SIMPLE AND STRAIGHTFORWARD.
ASSUME DILLON AND WOOD WILL WISH TO CONTACT JANET MONDLANE
DIRECTLY AND WILL NOT RPT NOT DESIRE EMBASSY TO TRY TO MAKE
APPOINTMENT ON THEIR BEHALF. MIGHT ADD, IN OUR VIEW, DOS SANTOS
IS PROBABLY MAN IN FRELIMO THAT HAS TO BE CONVINCED OF EFFICACY
OF US ASSISTANCE, BUT DILLON AND WOOD MAY HAVE TO TALK TO WHOMEVER
AVAILABLE AT FRELIMO. WE NOT SANGUINE THIS TIME THAT JANET
MONDLANE WILL PLAY MORE THAN SYMBOLIC ROLE IN INDEPENDENT
MOZAMBIQUE GOVERNMENT.

3. AS DEPT WILL RECALL, PHELPS-STOKES PRESIDENT WILLIAMS OFFERED
TO FUND ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR FRELIMO CANDIDATE IN HIS TALK WITH
DOS SANTOS IN JANUARY. DILLON AND WOOD, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF
PHELPS-STOKES, MAY BE ASKED BY FRELIMO TO MAKE GOOD ON THIS OFFER
DURING THEIR VISIT.
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